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BOOK THE THIRD.

CHAPTER II.—EVENTS AT TEN ACRES.

There was no obstacle to the speedy departure of Romayne and his wife from Vange Abbey. The villa at Highgate—called Ten Acres Lodge, in allusion to the measurement of the grounds surrounding the house—had been kept in perfect order by the servants of the late Lady Berrick, now in the employment of her nephew.

On the morning after their arrival at the villa Stella sent a note to her mother. The same afternoon Mrs. Eyrecourt arrived at Ten Acres, on her way to a garden-party. Finding the house, to her great relief, a modern building, supplied with all the newest comforts and luxuries, she at once began to plan a grand party in celebration of the return of the bride and bridegroom.

"I don't wish to praise myself," Mrs. Eyrecourt said; "but if ever there was a forgiving woman, I am that person. We will say no more, Stella, about your truly contemptible wedding—five people altogether, including ourselves and the Lorings! A grand ball will set you right with society, and that is the one thing needful. Tea and coffee, my dear Romayne, in your study; Coote's quadrille band; the supper from Gunter's, the grounds illuminated with colored lamps; Tyrolese singers among the trees, relieved by military music—and, if there are any African or other savages now in London, there is room enough in these charming grounds for an encampment, dances, squaws, scalps, and all the rest of it, to end in a blaze of fireworks."

A sudden fit of coughing seized her, and stopped the further enumeration of attractions at the contemplated ball. Stella observed that her mother [illegible] early worn and haggard, through the disguises of paint and powder. This was not an uncommon result of Mrs. Eyrecourt's devotion to the demands of society; but the cough was something new as a symptom of exhaustion.

"I am afraid, mamma, you have been over-exerting yourself," said Stella.

"You go to too many parties."

"Nothing of the sort, my dear; I am as strong as a horse. The other night I was waiting for the carriage in a draft (one of the most perfect private concerts of the season, ending with a delightfully naughty little French play), and I caught a slight cold. A glass of water is all I want. Thank you. Romayne, you are looking shockingly serious and severe; our ball will cheer you. If you would only make a bonfire of all those horrid books you don't know how it would improve your spirits, Dearest Stella. I will come and lunch here to-morrow—you are within such a nice, easy drive from town—and I'll bring my visiting-book and settle about the invitations and the day. Oh, dear me, how late it is! I have nearly an hour's drive before I get to my garden-party. Good-bye, my turtle doves, good bye."

She was stopped on the way to her carriage by another fit of coughing. But she still persisted in making light of it. "I'm as strong as a horse," she repeated, as soon as she could speak—and skipped into the carriage like a young girl.

"Your mother is killing herself," said Romayne.

"If I could persuade her to stay with us a little while," Stella suggested, "the rest and quiet might do wonders for her. Would you object to it, Lewis?"

"My darling, I object to nothing—except giving a ball and burning my books. If your mother will yield on those two points, my house is entirely at her disposal."

He spoke playfully—he looked his best, since he had separated himself from the painful associations that were now connected with Vange Abbey. Had "the torment of the voice" been left far away in Yorkshire? Stella shrank from approaching the subject in her husband's presence; but she was bold enough to hope. To her surprise Romayne himself referred to the General's family.

"I have written to Hynd," he began. "Do you mind his dining with us today?"

"Of course not!"

"I want to hear if he has anything to tell me about those French ladies. He undertook to see them in your absence, and to ascertain how—" He was unable to overcome his reluctance to pronounce the next words. Stella was quick to understand what he meant. She finished the sentence for him.

"Yes," he said, "I wanted to hear how the boy is getting on, and if there is any hope of curing him. Is it—" he trembled as he put the question, "Is it hereditary madness?"

Feeling the serious importance of concealing the truth Stella only replied that she had hesitated to ask if there was a taint of madness in the family. "I suppose," she added, "you would not like to see the boy and judge of his chances of recovery for yourself?"

"You suppose?" he burst out, with sudden anger. "You might be sure. The bare idea of seeing him turns me cold. Oh, when shall I forget! when shall I forget! Who spoke of him first?" he said, with renewed irritability, after a moment of silence. "You or I?"

"It was my fault, love—he is so harmless and so gentle, and he has such a sweet face, I thought it might soothe you to see him. Forgive me; we will never speak of him again. Have you any notes for me to copy? You know, Lewis, I am your secretary now."

So she led Romayne away to his study and his books. When Major Hynd arrived she contrived to be the first to see him. "Say as little as possible about the General's widow and her son," she whispered.

The major understood her. "Don't be uneasy, Mrs. Romayne," he answered. "I know your husband well enough to know what you mean. Besides, the news I bring is good news."

Romayne came in before he could speak more particularly. When the servants had left the room, after dinner, the major made his report.

"I am going to agreeably surprise you," he began. "All responsibility toward the General's family is taken off our hands. The ladies are on their way back to France."

Stella was instantly reminded of one of the melancholy incidents associated with her visit to Camp's Hill. "Madam Marillac spoke of a brother of hers who disapproved of the marriage," she said. "Has he forgiven her?"

"That is exactly what he has done, Mrs. Romayne. Naturally enough, he felt the disgrace of his sister's marriage to such a man as the General. Only the other day he heard for the first time that she was a widow, and he at once traveled to England. I bade them good-bye yesterday—most happily reunited—on their journey home again. Ah, I thought you would be glad, Mrs. Romayne, to hear that the poor widow's troubles are over. Her brother is rich enough to place them all in easy circumstances—he is as good a fellow as ever lived."

"Have you seen him?" Stella asked, eagerly.

"I have been with him to the asylum."

"Does the boy go back to France?"

"No. We took the place by surprise, and saw how well-conducted it was. The boy has taken a strong liking to the proprietor—a bright, cheerful old man, who is teaching him some of our English games, and has given him a pony to ride on. He burst out crying, poor creature, at the idea of going away—and his mother burst out crying at the idea of leaving him. It was a melancholy scene. You know what a good mother is—no sacrifice is too great for her. The boy stays at the asylum, on the chance that his healthier and happier life there may help to cure him. By the way, Romayne, his uncle desires me to thank you—"

"Hynd, you didn't tell the uncle my name?"

"Don't alarm yourself! He is a gentleman, and when I told him I was pledged to secrecy, he made but one inquiry—he asked if you were a rich man. I told him you had eighteen thousand a year."

"Well?"

"Well, he set that matter right between us with perfect taste. He said: 'I cannot presume to offer repayment to a person so wealthy. We gratefully accept our obligation to our kind unknown friend. For the future, however, my nephew's expenses must be paid from my purse.' Of course, I could only agree to that. From time to time the mother is to hear, and I am to hear, how the boy goes on. Or, if you like, Romayne—now that the General's family have left England—I don't see why the proprietor might not make his report directly to yourself."

"No!" Romayne replied, positively. "Let things remain as they are."

"Very well. The asylum is close by, at Hampstead—that was what made me think of it. Will you give us some music, Mrs. Romayne? Not to-night? Then let us go to the billiard-room; and, as I am the worst of bad players, I will ask you to help me beat your accomplished husband."

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On the afternoon of the next day Mrs. Eyrecourt's maid arrived at Ten Acres with a note from her mistress.

"DEAREST STELLA—Matilda must bring you my excuses for to-day. I don't in the least understand it, but I seem to have turned lazy. It is most ridiculous—I really cannot get out of bed. Perhaps I did do a little too much yesterday. The opera after the garden-party, and a ball after the opera, and this tiresome cough all night after the ball. Quite a series, isn't it? Make my apologies to our dismal Romayne, and if you drive out this afternoon come and have a chat with me. Your affectionate mother,

"EMILY EYRECOURT.

"P. S.—You know what a fidget Matilda is. If she talks about me, don't believe a word she says to you."

Stella turned to the maid with a sinking heart.

"Is my mother very ill?" she asked.

"So ill, ma'am, that I begged and prayed her to let me send for a doctor. You know what my mistress is; she wouldn't hear of it. If you would please to use your influence—"

"I will order the carriage instantly, and take you back with me."

Before she dressed to go out Stella showed the letter to her husband. He spoke with perfect kindness and sympathy, but he did not conceal that he shared his wife's apprehensions.

"Go at once," were his last words to her; "and if I can be of any use send for me."

It was late in the evening before Stella returned. She brought sad news.

The physician consulted told her plainly that the neglected cough and the constant fatigue had together made the case a serious one. He declined to say that there was any absolute danger as yet, or any necessity for her remaining with her mother at night. The experience of the next twenty-four hours, at most, would enable him to speak positively. In the meantime the patient insisted that Stella should return to her husband. Even under the influence of opiates, Mrs. Eyrecourt was still drowsily equal to herself. "You are a fidget, my dear, and Matilda is a fidget; I can't have two of you at my bedside. Good-night." Stella stooped over her and kissed her. She whispered: "Three weeks notice, remember, for the party!"

By the next evening the malady had assumed so formidable an aspect that the doctor had his doubts of the patient's chance of recovery. With her husband's full approval Stella remained night and day at her mother's bedside.

Thus, in little more than a month from the day of his marriage, Romayne was, for the time, a lonely man again.

The illness of Mrs. Eyrecourt was unexpectedly prolonged. There were intervals during which her vigorous constitution rallied and resisted the progress of the disease. On these occasions Stella was able to return to her husband for a few hours—subject always to a message which recalled her to her mother, when the chances of life or death appeared to be equally balanced. Romayne's only resource was in his books and his pen. For the first time since his union with Stella he opened the portfolios in which Penrose had collected the first introductory chapters of his historical work. Almost at every page the familiar handwriting of his secretary and friend met his view. It was a new trial to his resolution to be working alone; never had he felt the absence of Penrose as he felt it now. He missed the familiar face, the quiet pleasant voice, and, more than both, the ever welcome sympathy with his work. Stella had done all that a wife could do to fill the vacant place; and her husband's fondness had accepted the effort as adding another charm to the lovely creature who had opened a new life to him. But where is the woman who can intimately associate herself with the hard brainwork of a man devoted to an absorbing intellectual pursuit? She can love him, admire him, serve him, believe in him beyond all other men; but (in spite of exceptions which only only prove the rule) she is out of her place when she enters the study while the pen is in his hand. More than once, when he was at work, Romayne closed the page bitterly; the sad thought came to him: "Oh, if I only had Penrose here!" Even other friends were not available as a resource in the solitary evening hours. Lord Loring was absorbed in social and political engagements. And Major Hynd—true to the principle of getting away as often as possible from his disagreeable wife and his ugly children—had once more left London.

One day, while Mrs. Eyrecourt still lay between life and death, Romayne found his historical labors suspended by the want of a certain volume which it was absolutely necessary to consult. He had mislaid the references written for him by Penrose, and he was at a loss to remember whether the book was in the British museum, in the Bodleian library, or in the Bibliotheque at Paris. In this emergency a letter to his former secretary would furnish him with the information that he required. But he was ignorant of Penrose's present address. The Lorings might possibly know it—so to the Lorings he resolved to apply.

CHAPTER III.—FATHER BENWELL AND THE BOOK.

Romayne's first errand in London was to see his wife and to make inquiries at Mrs. Eyrecourt's house. The report was more favorable than usual. Stella whispered, as she kissed him, "I shall soon come back to you, I hope!"

Leaving the horses to rest for awhile, he proceeded to Lord Loring's residence on foot. As he crossed a street in the neighborhood he was nearly run over by a cab, carrying a gentleman and his luggage. The gentleman was Mr. Winterfield, on his way to Derwent's hotel.

Lady Loring very kindly searched her card basket, as the readiest means of assisting Romayne. Penrose had left his card, on his departure from London, but no address was written on it. Lord Loring, unable himself to give the required information, suggested the right person to consult.

"Father Benwell will be here later in the day," he said. "If you will write to Penrose at once, he will add the address. Are you sure, before the letter goes, that the book you want is not in my library?"

"I think not," Romayne answered; "but I will write down the title and leave it here with my letter."

The same evening he received a polite note from Father Benwell informing him that the letter was forwarded, and that the book he wanted was not in Lord Loring's library. "If there should be any delay or difficulty in obtaining this rare volume," the priest added, "I only wait the expression of your wishes to borrow it from the library of a friend of mine residing in the country."

By return of post the answer, affectionately and gratefully written, arrived from Penrose. He regretted that he was not able to assist Romayne personally. But it was out of his power (in plain words he had been expressly forbidden by Father Benwell to leave the service on which he was then engaged). In reference to the book that was wanted, it was quite likely that a search in the catalogues of the British museum might discover it. He had only met with it himself in the National library at Paris.

This information led Romayne to London again, immediately. For the first time he called at Father Benwell's lodgings. The priest was at home, expecting the visit. His welcome was the perfection of unassuming politeness. He asked for the last news of "poor Mrs. Eyrecourt's health" with the sympathy of a true friend.

"I had the honor of drinking tea with Mrs. Eyrecourt, some little time since," he said; "her flow of conversation was never more delightful—it seemed impossible to associate the idea of illness with so bright a creature. And how well she kept the secret of your contemplated marriage! May I offer my humble congratulations and good wishes?"

Romayne thought it needless to say that Mrs. Eyrecourt had not been trusted with the secret until the wedding-day was close at hand.

"My wife and I agreed in wishing to be married as quietly as possible," he answered, after making the customary acknowledgments.

"And Mrs. Romayne?" pursued Father Benwell. "This is a sad trial to her. She is in attendance on her mother, I suppose?"

"In constant attendance; I am quite alone. To change the subject, may I ask you to look at the reply which I have received from Penrose? It is my excuse for troubling you with this visit."

Father Benwell read the letter with the closest attention. In spite of his habitual self-control his vigilant eyes brightened as he handed it back.

The priest's well-planned scheme (like Mr. Bitrake's clever inquiries) had failed. He had not even entrapped Mrs. Eyrecourt into revealing the marriage engagement. Her unconquerable small-talk had foiled him at every point. Even when he had deliberately kept his seat after the other guests at the tea-table had taken their departure, she rose with the most imperturable coolness and left him.

"I have a dinner and two parties tonight; and this is just the time when I take my little restorative nap. Forgive me—and do come again!"

When he sent the fatal announcement of the marriage to Rome, he had been obliged to confess that he was indebted for the discovery to the newspaper. He had accepted the humiliation; he had accepted the defeat—but he was not beaten yet.

"I counted on Romayne's weakness, and Miss Eyrecourt counted on Romayne's weakness; and Miss Eyrecourt has won. So let it be. My turn will come."

In that manner he had reconciled himself to his position. And now—he knew it when he handed back the letter to Romayne—his turn had come!

"You can scarcely go to Paris to consult the book," he said, "in the present state of Mrs. Eyrecourt's health."

"Certainly not."

"Perhaps you will send somebody to search the catalogue at the British museum?"

"I should have done that already, Father Benwell, but for the very kind allusions in your note to your friend in the country. Even if the book is in the museum library, I shall be obliged to go to the reading-room to get my information. It would be far more convenient to me to have the volume at home to consult, if you think your friend will trust me with it."

"I am certain he will trust you with it. My friend is Mr. Winterfield, of Beaupark house, North Devon. Perhaps you may have heard of him?"

"No; the name is quite new to me."

"Then come and see the man himself. He is now in London—and I am entirely at your service."

In half an hour more Romayne was presented to a well-bred, amiable gentleman, in the prime of life, smoking, and reading the newspaper. The bowl of his long pipe rested on the floor on one side of him, and a handsome red and white spaniel reposed on the other. Before his visitors had been two minutes in the room, he understood the motive which had brought them to consult him and sent for a telegraphic form.

"My steward will find the book and forward it to your address by passenger train this afternoon," he said. "I will tell him to put my printed catalogue of the library into the parcel, in case I have any other books which may be of use to you."

With these words he dispatched the telegram to the office. Romayne attempted to make his acknowledgments. Mr. Winterfield would hear no acknowledgments.

"My dear sir," he said, with a smile that brightened his whole face, "you are engaged in writing a great historical work, and I am an obscure country gentleman, who is lucky enough to associate himself with the production of a new book. How do you know that I am not looking forward to a complimentary line in the preface? I am the obliged person, not you. Pray consider me as a handy little boy who runs on errands, or the Muse of History. Do you smoke?"

Not even tobacco would soothe Romayne's wasted and irritable nerves. Father Benwell cheerfully accepted a cigar from a box on the table.

"Father Benwell possesses all the social virtues," Mr. Winterfield ran on. "He shall have his coffee and the largest sugar-basin that the hotel can produce. I can quite understand that your literary labors have tried your nerves," he said to Romayne, when he had ordered the coffee. "The mere title of your work overwhelms an idle man like me. 'The Origin of Religions'—what an immense subject! How far must we look back to find out the first worshipers of the human family? Where are the hieroglyphics, Mr. Romayne, that will give you the earliest information? In the unknown center of Africa, or among the ruined cities of Yucatan? My own idea, as an ignorant man, is, that the first of all forms of worship must have been the worship of the sun. Don't be shocked, Father Benwell—I confess I have a certain sympathy with sun-worship. In the East especially the rising of the sun is surely the grandest of all objects—the visible symbol of a beneficent Deity, who gives life, warmth and light to the world of his creation."

"Very grand, no doubt," remarked Father Benwell, sweetening his coffee. "But not to be compared to the noble sight at Rome, when the pope blesses the Christian world from the balcony of Saint Peter's."

"So much for professional feeling!" said Mr. Winterfield. "But, surely, something depends on what sort of a man the pope is. If we had lived in the time of Alexander the Sixth, would you have called him a noble sight?"

"Certainly—at a proper distance," Father Benwell replied, briskly. "Ah, you heretics only know the worst side of that most unhappy pontiff! Mr. Winterfield, we have every reason to believe that he felt (privately) the truest remorse."

"I should require very good evidence to persuade me of it."

This touched Romayne on a sad side of his own personal experience. "Perhaps," he said, "you don't believe in remorse?"

"Pardon me," Mr. Winterfield rejoined. "I only distinguish between false remorse and true remorse. We will say no more of Alexander the Sixth, Father Benwell. If we want an illustration, I will apply it, and give no offense. True remorse depends, to my mind, on a man's actual knowledge of his own motives—by no means a common knowledge, in my experience. Say, for instance, that I have committed some serious offense—"

Romayne could not resist interrupting him. "Say you have killed one of your fellow creatures," he suggested.

"Very well. If I knew that I called you meant to kill, for some vile purpose of my own, and if (which by no means always follow) I am really capable of feeling the enormity of my own crime—that is, as I think, true remorse. Murderer, as I am, I have, in that case, some moral worth still left in me. But, if I did not mean to kill the man—if his death was my misfortune as well as his—and if (as frequently happens) I am nevertheless troubled by remorse, the true cause lies in my own inability fairly to realize my own motives before I look to results. I am the ignorant victim of false remorse; and if I will only ask myself boldly what has blinded me to the true state of the case, I shall find the mischief due to that misdirected appreciation of my own importance, which is nothing but egotism in disguise."

"I entirely agree with you," said Father Benwell; "I have had occasion to say the same thing in the confessional."

Mr. Winterfield looked at his dog, and changed the subject.

(To be Continued.)

THE COMING STOVE.

When the stove and fuel gas come into general use—when a man's wife can broil a steak, cook oysters on toast, bake potatoes, make an omelette and perform several other culinary feats inside of ten minutes, without the annoyance of ashes, or the faintest odor escaping from the cooking, she will acquire such a sweet and even temper in the morning that she will retain a large portion of it when her weary husband returns an hour after midnight; and instead of finding her with a scowl on her brow and a club in her hand, he will see her soundly slumbering, with a sweet and self-assuring smile playing about her mouth, and a nicely prepared lunch awaiting him on the bureau. But the professor's patent will be bad on the divorce lawyers.—*Norristown Herald.*

MESMERIZED.

SENSATIONAL SCENE IN A COURT ROOM.

The court of appeals in Paris has been the scene of a most curious and remarkable spectacle. A young man named Didier was lately arrested for an offense in the Champs Elysees and sentenced to three months' imprisonment. In prison he was examined by Drs. Mottet and Mesnet, two well known specialists in mental diseases, who reported that he lived in a state of constant somnambulism, the attacks of which can be provoked at will. The case was heard on appeal, and the judges were about to consider their verdict when the doctors offered to confirm the statements made in their report by practical experiment on the spot. The bench consented, and then occurred the following painful scene described by the Paris correspondent of the London Standard: Dr. Mottet, followed by the magistrates and the prisoner, retired into a side room. Here, by the usual means of rapid passes of the hands before his eyes, and a strong, fixed gaze, the unhappy "subject" was mesmerized. Didier was then left in charge of two of the municipal guards on service, the doctors and the judges returned to court and the door of the room was shut. Dr. Mottet now called the prisoner by his name. The next second a fearful noise was heard. It came from the sick young man. A few minutes before, a touch of the finger would have almost knocked him over, so feeble and emaciated was he. Now, under the influence of magnetism, he was like a raging lion. Upsetting the guards who held him by the wrists, he rushed at the door, broke it open, and, knocking down everybody in his path, ran up to Dr. Mottet. Here he suddenly stopped, and, fixing his eyes on his mesmerizer, trembled from head to foot in a manner terrible to see. Shrieks of horror then ran through the court. The doctor then set to work. "Undress yourself," said he to the prisoner. In a few seconds Didier stripped himself of nearly all his garments. "Dress yourself again," said the doctor, and again the prisoner obeyed with the same lightning rapidity. The experiment proved conclusive. Dr. Mottet then awoke his "subject" by blowing in his face. Didier fell to the ground as if shot. The doctor, however, soon brought him round again. "Why did you undress yourself before these gentlemen?" asked Dr. Mottet; "that was very improper." Didier, gazing with vacant astonishment, replied, "What! I undressed myself; impossible." And the young man clung to the doctor for protection like a child. The bench, however, was not convinced, and appeared to look upon the whole affair as a comedy. Dr. Mesnet, in his turn, now operated on the prisoner. Having mesmerized him he ordered him to write from memory a letter addressed to him while in prison, Didier replied, "Cannot, because I am in prison." The doctor insisted, whereupon the prisoner sat down to a table and wrote, word for word, the letter in question without a single mistake. While he was writing it, Dr. Mottet took a long needle out of his instrument case and plunged it into the young man's neck, but he felt nothing. By this time, however, the bench had seen enough of these painful experiments, and some of the audience crying out "Assez! Assez!" the sitting came to an end. The court, considering the prisoner was not responsible for his acts, quashed the verdict of the lower court, and the unhappy man was discharged.

EASTER EGGS.

Of late years the traffic in eggs and fancy imitations thereof has greatly increased, both among our own people and in foreign countries. In St. Petersburg last Easter more than 10,000,000 fancy eggs were manufactured and sold. The markets were filled with them, to the utter banishment of real eggs. The favorite motto on the Russian egg is: "Christohs Voskress"—"Christ is Risen." Some of the most expensive and beautiful eggs last year were the crystal ones, made at the Imperial glass-cutting manufactory. Many of these crystal eggs were distributed from the czar's winter palace. Nightingale's eggs, made of wax or sugar, are now favorites in Germany. In eastern Europe the "Easter kiss" is quite as popular as the egg, and millions of them are given and received. As the Easter kisses are made of candy, they are not as hurtful as one might at first fancy. Still, the other kisses are frequently given.

It is estimated that $2,000,000 are expended in real hen-eggs by the people of New York city during the Easter week. The average daily consumption is 3000 barrels, with 1000 eggs to the barrel, making the aggregate 3,000,000 eggs. Just to think that one city should consume 3,000,000 eggs a day! But this consumption is doubled during Easter week. In addition to these, about 200 barrels of duck-eggs are required every day during Easter times, aggregating 100,000. These are required for ornamentation, and realize at wholesale about 25 cents per dozen. About 30 to 50 barrels of goose eggs find a daily market at this season of the year, adding about 12,500 more eggs to the supply. These are sold at wholesale for 50 cents to 60 cents per dozen. It will thus be seen that during Easter week alone the wholesale outlay for eggs used and consumed in New York is over $2,000,000, and, with decorators and others, employs a very large number of persons in preparing and selling this one article.

QUICK TELEGRAPHY.

The cable message to Australia respecting the Hanlan-Trickett match was an extraordinary achievement in telegraphy—in fact, it has never been excelled. The total extent of lines—namely, 12,000 miles—was traveled in one hour and twenty minutes. The greater portion of this time was occupied in transmitting the message through India. From Singapore to Sydney, 5070 miles, the message occupied only thirty-five seconds in transmission. The message was repeated fourteen times, from station to station, between London and Sydney.—*Sydney Mail.*

SELECTED.

No strict vegetarian will eat kidney beans nor narrowfat peas.

To make hens lay perpetually, hit them on the head with a big club. Other modes have been recommended, but this is the only one ever found to be effectual.

Rome is again moving in behalf of a world's fair, to be held within its ancient walls; the king has been interviewed and expressed a willingness to subscribe handsomely.

Here is a settlement of domestic difficulties that is certainly conclusive, if not satisfactory. A servant girl, a native of Fiji, relates, in fair English, that "Pa got jealous; so he fight and kill ma; then he put her in the oven, and then pa and his friends eat poor ma all up."

At the time of the recent big hotel fire in Buffalo, N. Y., a business man, in whose apartments in the burning building were many articles that he prized, rushed to his rooms, seized an empty bird-cage and a clock key, and barely escaped with his life through the smoky halls.

Dr. Tanner has found an unsuccessful imitator in a baker of Konigsberg, Germany, who undertook to fast forty days, with, however, an allowance of a bottle of beer every fourth or fifth day. At the end of the twenty-fourth day he was so weak that the police interfered, removed him to the hospital, and compelled him to take nourishment.

A slab from Nineveh, said to be of great antiquarian value, having on it the figure of a king in full dress, besides twenty-one lines of cuneiform characters, has found, after being exhibited in this city and elsewhere, a resting-place in the Boston Museum of fine arts, where the school-girls can read its inscriptions and ponder on the lessons they teach.

She was young and beautiful; he was old and ugly. He took her hand and squeezed it tenderly, and then she put out her tongue at him. Then he laid his hand gently on her breast. She was eighteen and he was seventy, but still it was affection of the heart. O, yes, it was. Her heart was affected, and he was a doctor, trying to see how far the mischief had gone.

Mrs. Lily Langtry, the "Jersey Lily" with face in repose, is rather a fine-looking woman, with heavy features and a large mouth, but not remarkable at all. But when she begins to talk and becomes animated, then the features of this Galatea grow radiant, her eyes flash, the heavy look disappears, half a dozen bewitching dimples come and go, and the large mouth smiles in exquisite curves. Mr. Langtry is an Irishman, whose father and grandfather sent ships between Liverpool and Belfast since a hundred years ago. Mr. Langtry inherited their fortune, and was brought up to no profession.

A lawsuit is in progress between the new-fashioned and the old-fashioned Quakers in Indiana, the contest being over the possession of certain church property, but arising from differences of religious belief. One branch of the Quakers no longer wear a peculiar habit; they do not wait for the spirit to move them in meetings; they have salaried preachers, and have abandoned many of the other long-established Quaker usages. The conservative branch claim that such worshipers are not Quakers at all, and should not be allowed to use Quaker meeting-houses.

At Crichel, in England, the country-seat of Lord and Lady Alington, who are warm personal friends of Queen Victoria, a part of the estate is known as the White farm, all the animals seen there being snow-white. There are hundreds of white pigeons, white squirrels and rabbits, white geese and turkeys, white goats, white cats, white cockatoos, white peacocks, a white doe given by the queen, and white rats and mice given by the Prince of Wales.

There is in London a Cinderella dancing club. As the name indicates, all the dances break up at the hour of midnight. But to belong to this fraternity, or sisterhood—for ladies are eligible—you must first establish your character as a proficient dancer by showing your ability to waltz up the ballroom, so as to never deviate from one plank. Then you have to perform the same feat, "doing the reverse."

A St. Louis newspaper has published a list of the salaries paid the leading ministers of that city. The Rev. Dr. Brookes, the Rev. Dr. Niccalls of the Second Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Dr. John Fulton of St. George's Episcopal Church, and the Rev. Dr. Ganse of the First Presbyterian Church, each get $6000 a year. These are the highest salaries paid. Other ministers get less, and some as little as $500 a year.

MASSACHUSETTS DIVORCE LAWS.

The statistics of divorce in this state are certainly significant enough to suggest the desirability of legislative interference in this matter. That any barrier to hasty marriages which the state would be likely to impose would be efficacious in preventing subsequent divorces, we very much doubt. There are not many secret marriages made in this state, and the publication of intentions a week in advance would not produce any perceptible reduction in the number of those who apply for divorces. It is conceivable that, if a marriage contract could only be closed after the contracting parties had known each other for at least a year, there would be fewer divorces; but this is a restriction on personal liberty not likely to find favor in a Massachusetts Legislature. The only practical way, then, to check the ratio of divorces is by making it more difficult than it is to obtain a separation, or by fixing penalties to such a dissolution, or by using both of these means. The latter seems to be much more in accord with our modern ideas. Allow divorces as at the present time, but prevent either party from marrying again until after a term of years; while, if there are children, leave one-half of the property of both father and mother, set aside in trust, for their benefit. It might be well, also, to add that, in case of adultery, marriage between the persons so convicted should be wholly interdicted. —*Boston Herald.*

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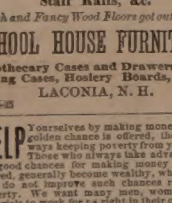

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NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS.

LACONIA.

Mrs. Edna (Vorrill) Ham dropped dead on Thursday evening in a paralytic shock and was buried on Sunday last. Mrs. Ham kept the boarding house on Lake street for a number of years; she also kept the large boarding house of the Belknap mills for several years.

A delegation from Granite State Lodge, I. O. of G. T., of Lake Village, attended the regular meeting of Golden Rule Lodge, No. 57, of Laconia, on Saturday evening, and had a very pleasant time.

The custom of citizens passing around liquor at fires ought to be discontinued, as it is one of the many customs of Laconia that lead to disastrious results. Coffee would do them much more good.

Gardner Cook, A. G. Folsom & S. S. Jewett, all of Laconia, have returned from Washington where they had been to see President Garfield inaugurated.

One day last week Mr. George Chase, an employee of W. S. Thomas' machine shop, dropped in a fit and had to be taken home. Mr. C. is accustomed to having these fits and is liable to take a sudden departure in one of them.

One Nate Chapman came to grief one day last week. Mr. C. is one of the many rum sellers of this town, and was cautioned against selling rum to a certain lady's husband; she heeded not this unfortunate woman and she entered a complaint against him and the result was that Mr. C.'s wares were seized and he fell into the strong arm of the law. It would be well for this town if more of the ladies of Laconia would go and do likewise.

The damage to the steam fire engine at the late fire, at Lake Village, is said to be several hundred dollars. We understand that that village offers to repair the damage done.

The new shops of the Car company are being pushed ahead with great rapidity under the skillful management of Mr. A. L. Davis. The blacksmith shop and foundry are up at Laconia. The shops are 16 foot posted, monitor roof, and tinned instead of shingled.

F. A. Durrell is drawing the lumber preparatory to building a barn at his residence on Bay street.

Eugene Dimond has returned from the lake fishing and brought home a very handsome string of trout, seventeen in number. Three of them weighed twenty-four pounds. D. S. Sanborn also caught one on Big Bay that weighed 4 1-4 lbs. Occasionally a shad waiter is caught on the bay which is a most excellent fish for the table.

A little French boy fell off the bridge near W. S. Thomas' machine shop into the canal and was rescued from drowning by Thomas Harnes, an employee of the Laconia Car company, who happened to be near.

Last week a little adopted son of Heck Dockham, of Lake Village, who was sliding near Round bay, slid into the water and under the ice and was drowned.

Our second town meeting occurred on Wednesday and part of the business in the warrant was done. D. B. Stowy acted as moderator. After considerable wrangling they voted to exempt the Car company from taxation for five years. The town could not take any action in regard to the purchase of a new steam fire engine on account of there being less than half of the town voters present which is required by law to raise money at a special town meeting, so they voted to adjourn *sine die*.

A.

DORCHESTER.

The measles are making sure work with us, and nearly all who never had them can not complain of being slighted.

Alden Whicher has chopped in the woods nearly every day during the past winter though 70 years of age last November. Where is the next one?

A. Hardy has sold his farm to Frank Burnham.

J. Norris, our glove agent, is now supplying the glove makers with all the work they want.

J. Brooks had six children sick with the measles last week.

Will some of your correspondents tell us if we had the truth in the old version of the Bible, what we are getting in the new.

We shall have substantially the same, but some different in wording. [Ed.]

A curious phenomenon was seen in town a few days since. A gentleman of undoubted veracity, while looking at a mirage saw directly above it what appeared to be a large ship, and so perfect seemed the vessel that every sail was discernable.

Alpheus Reed, who had the measles two weeks since is not able to be out yet. Lewis Clement is also quite sick with them.

But little sugar has been made yet though a few tapped their trees before town meeting; but at the present time, March 13, all the guide we have to go by to know whether it is winter or spring is Leavitt's almanac. Those who are familiar with its pages seem to know where they are. The snow is drifted as high as at any time during the winter, and all have ceased any forethought place their shovels at night where they can get them in the morning, knowing they will need them.

There have been some cases of whooping cough in town, but as yet it has not spread to any great extent. Your correspondent has been a resident of Dorchester 19 years, and during that time has never known it to be so sickly as during the year that has passed.

TABITHA ANN.

CAMPTON.

We are to have another school meeting next week Saturday.

Mrs. Morse is going to Lowell to visit her daughter.

B. B. Southmayd and son sent their first new maple sugar to market, March 11.

Dustin Merrill's horse was taken sick while on the road to Thorton and he was obliged to leave it at George Wood's. It was some better at last accounts.

Old Mr. Brown is in his 86th year and is in feeble health.

George Wood has leased his farm to Charles Taylor.

C. C. Taylor has taken a boy from the Orphan Home.

Good week for sapping. Everybody busy.

The ice is very rapidly disappearing in the Pemigewasset river and the rivermen will soon appear. H.

Mrs. Susan P. Bartlett of Campton Lower Village, who is 81 years of age, has knit a pair of men's leggings, one yard long which weighed three fourths of a pound. She doubled, twisted and scoured out the yarn and knit them in nine days.

The traders of Campton Village paid 30 cents per dozen for nearly 600 dozen eggs the past winter.

Young will open a nice lot of spring style prints the first of next week.

E. F. Emerson has four children sick with canker rash.

Lucius Smith is improving fast. He has been sick about eight weeks with typhoid fever and his two younger brothers are both sick with the fever.

The sugar makers are very busy.

A few more warm days and our streets will be dry and dusty.

Maple sugar is coming in quite plenty. The price started at 15 cents but has dropped to 10 cents.

Dr. Lance is making arrangements to build a house for himself this spring.

Benjamin Sanborn is in Boston and Lynn buying his spring stock of boots and shoes.

Jacob Percival had a cow die last week.

The prospect now is that the telephone connecting the Village with Plymouth will be put up in the early summer, as over half of the stock has already been sold here, and we understand there are parties ready to take the balance.

VILLE.

Maple sugar making is now the order of the day and those who have a "sweet tooth" can be satisfied and happy.

Our selectmen, in conformity with their duties, have distributed those "beautiful papers" that everybody loves so well. How many of them will be completed and in accordance with the requirements of the inventory laws of the state, of course will not be known until about the first of May next. Your correspondent does not believe a single dozen of them will be found so, judging of future reports by the past. But one thing is sure, they scare the most of the interest money out of the town, and cause it to be transmuted into stocks and bonds that bring no returns to the town.

Dr. Wm. A. Smith lost his valuable horse "Johnny" last week Friday. The horse had been quite ill for a few weeks, but was apparently recovering, so that his owner had driven him a few times short distances. On the day of his death the doctor was going to the centre of the town to visit a patient, when the horse was attacked by disease and died suddenly in the barn of Alonzo Keniston, to which he had been taken from the sleigh. Active efforts were used—rubbing, etc., by Mr. Keniston and the doctor, but Johnny's time to go had come. The horse was a sire of the old Percival horse and raised by the owner and was but 9 years of age. The doctor has the sympathies of numerous friends in the loss of so kind and serviceable an animal as was his horse.

Tin sap buckets are all the rage now, and wooden ones are of little account Geo. W. Keniston, Gardiner S. Bartlett and others have "gone in for 'em" pretty strong. Will the sugar be any sweeter and will the maples "give down" any more sap in the tin than in the wooden buckets?

The Holderness correspondent, N., in the last issue of the JOURNAL, informs its readers that George Smith of this town had died a claim in the clerk's office of that town, claiming $500. damage by reason of a broken leg caused by a defective highway. From upwards of 20 year's acquaintance with the unfortunate man, we do not hesitate to say that his testimony in relation to the time, manner and place of the accident will be perfectly reliable; and we certainly are of the opinion that the price fixed is not an exhorbitant one, and that were we a citizen of Holderness we should willingly bear our proportion of the damage claimed. Mr. Smith is a candid man, and would not, if he could, cause the payment of an unreasonable damage. Few persons would have fixed a similar damage as low as he has done, and we hope our sister town will not be so inconsiderate as to contend in this case, for suits in law are expensive. The leg of the injured man is doing well under the care of Dr. Lance of the village, according to reports.

Edwin H. Stickney, youngest son of Benjamin Stickney, and a student at Andover (Mass.) theological seminary, was ordained in the Congregational church last Sunday morning. The JOURNAL correspondent was not a hearer owing to a serious indisposition, but judging from the remarks of his auditors, the young preacher acquitted himself very well, and the opinion is frankly expressed that if he improves as fast in the future as in the past, he will be ranked among the many good ministers who have been raised on the virgin soil of Campton.

Two more children of Freeman Smith at the village, are sick with the typhoid fever: a son and daughter.

The snow has left rapidly within the last week. Soon the robins will be saluting us at early morn. Our "hard winter" is already numbered with the things of the past.

The auction sale of goods and chattels belonging to the estate of the late Wm. Morrill, on Tuesday, was well attended, the day being pleasant and the sales satisfactory. Jefferson Gilman, of Woodstock was the auctioneer.

The singing school of Mr. Adams of Plymouth, closes Saturday evening, March 19. This school has been well attended and the teacher has had his usual good success.

The mother of Rev. Q. Blakely died in Pawlet, Vt., a few days since, at quite an advanced age, living a widow but a few years. W.

What a fine thing the Campton church affair is to bring out the literary talent that has hitherto been hidden. It is better than a reading club as it does not confine itself to so narrow a circle, but throws its brilliance to the world at large. And now comes one who is neither a member of church nor society who gives his opinion in regard to church rights, etc. We admit that the church has a right to do many things, but in regard to her being justified in all these rights is another question. She has a right to hire Bob Ingersoll, but would she be justified in the sight of God to do so? She has a right to throw aside the proffered assistance of all her friends and turn a cold shoulder to those friends, thereby keeping them from her holy influences and may at last result in the loss of their souls' salvation. But when the church comes up to judgment will not God require their blood at her hands? Last of all we wonder if the church will consider a man who is neither a member of church nor society capable of advising her in so serious a matter. "Be wise as serpents and harmless as doves." ANON.

In your issue of March 5, I find the account of a man in Campton Village "large of heart as well as body," who carried a poor old woman less than a mile to her home after shopping in the Village, and the writer praised the service done her above the giving of $1,000 to the cause of missions. And I fell to musing on the subject in this wise: the man "large of heart as well as body" is a man of leisure in the winter time. His time is wholly at his disposal, and I judge that the wheels of time that fly so swiftly to the hurried laborer often drag heavily with him. His idle horse too is benefited by such errands of mercy. The deed was a good one and deserved commendation, but what was it in point of merit, in point of sacrifice, to what those young men of the village have done who have had employment in shops and factories, where they could not be absent a day from their machines without a great deal of trouble to their employers, but who, as soon as their day's work was over have gone to the abodes of the sick, sawed and split wood for the coming day and night, gone of errands, gone for watchers, besides often watching themselves, and dragging through the labors of the next day with a bodily weariness and mental prostration known only to those who are familar with such experiences. Small of body, but large of heart they gave their "two mites" of time and strength, which was indeed more than a great deal of giving that embodies no sacrifice. No one can estimate the value of the gift of $1,000 to send missionaries to the "Heathen Chinee" or any other heathens, but we do know that every dollar thus expended has borne fruit, some thirty, some sixty, some an hundred fold, in education, civilization and evangelization of the heathen nations of the earth, and if the progress has not been as rapid as some think it should have been, who is to estimate the amount of good done? Truly when "the ledger of life is balanced" shall we not all be mistaken in our estimates? X.

F. C. Smith has been sadly afflicted by sickness in his family the past two months, and Thursday death took one of his boys which is a sad blow to them. They have the heartfelt sympathies of friends and neighbors.

WOODSTOCK.

Lumbering is played out.

Geo. R. Pattee has rented Caleb R. Emmons' place for the period of one year.

Mary A. Payne has returned to her adopted home, John F. Emmons' to spend a few weeks. We are glad to meet her again.

Deacon Walter Sawyer and wife had a splendid sugar party on the 14th. It is a good place to go to enjoy life, for they are full of it.

Rev. A. W. Brown and wife have united with the Thornton church, by letter.

Mrs. F. C. Woodbury has gone to Rumney to take care of her mother who is dangerously ill. E.

We noticed that E. (who by the way is a very good sort of a man) got rather mixed in his report of our town meeting.—The number of votes cast for moderator was 13, Joseph W. Campbell had that number and was consequently elected. On the first ballot for town clerk Joseph W. Campbell had 2; Thomas V. Smith, 80; Gardner G. Baston, 38 and Mary E. Hull, 1; Joseph W. Campbell was elected, but declined to serve: second ballot, Curtis L. Parker, 21; Thomas V. Smith, 44, and was declared elected. For 1st selectman Isaac Fox had 2; Joseph W. Campbell, 25; Arthur Hunt, 46, and was declared to be elected. For 2nd selectman Joseph W. Campbell had 1; Curtis L. Parker, 12; Isaac Fox, 30 and was declared elected. We believe E. was correct in his report of the election of the 3rd selectman, Isaac B. Campbell. It was voted to raise $1,200 to defray town expenses and pay town debts, and $50 in addition to what the law requires for the support of schools. Voted $700 for the highways. Voted to authorize the selectmen to hire such sums of money as may be necessary to pay town debts called for within the year.

The loggers have nearly all left the Ellsworth land, the long continued thaw having ruined the road. T. V. and B. F. Smith's teams are still drawing. There being only two teams on the road it has not worn out so fast. S.

A. B. Demeritt has gone to Dover on a visit to relations and friends.

Town meeting passed off very quietly, there being no drinking or fighting among the men, which was something unusual.

Several of our townsmen who have been at work in Carroll the past winter, have returned home.

There was a candy party at E. M. Gordon's a short time since; but as no reporters were admitted full particulars of the affair cannot be given.

We are now having splendid weather, and sugar makers are finding plenty to do.

There was a very brilliant and entertaining candy party at H. R. Tucker's last Saturday evening.

Geo. R. Silver of Concord, was in town one day this week.

Mr. Morrill Smith, who is suffering with a cancer on his face is failing slowly. ALPHEUS.

NEW HAMPTON.

Town meeting passed off about as usual with a smaller number than customary. For moderator; whole number of votes 176; Edwin C. Lewis 73; Natt Lowe, jr. 103. For clerk; whole number votes 171; J. Ira Flanders 1; J. H. Rand 23; Geo. L. Shaw 33; Manley C. Burpee 114. First selectman; whole number votes 179; J. R. Pike 27; R. C. Rollins 34; John M. Flanders, jr. 118. Second selectman; whole number of votes 171; A. F. Dolloff 1; W. B. Gordon 3; John Blake 10; Geo. Brown 51; Joseph C. Morgan 90; Third selectman; whole number votes 175; S. M. Bean 1; A. F. Dolloff 19; Frank Sanborn 24; Noah S. Ward 43; F. W. Lougee 88. Treasurer; whole number votes 144; E. N. Smith 2; Noah S. Ward 1; Warren Loud 42; C. D. Thyng 99. S. S. committee; whole number votes 164; M. C. Burpee 1; Mary E. Hull 70; Edson K. Smith 84. Voted that the remaining officers be chosen by the selectmen.

Jurymen drawn. Grand, Martin Woodward. Petit, R. M. Gordon and S. Plaisted, jr.

Geo. M. Sargent has bought a farm in Ashland and moved from the Dolloff place, and Natt Drew from Ashland has moved there.

March 18, Ira, son of C. P. St. Clair, fell and broke his arm near the wrist. Mr. St. Clair is going after the doctor to Meredith Village across the pond, broke through the ice but escaped without much damage.

THORNTON.

Sugar making has begun in earnest, and everybody ought to be sweet in a few days.

Deacon Emmons has gone on a visit to his friends in Danbury and other places.

Dr. E. G. Gilford was called to Rumney to visit Mrs. Joseph Moulton, (a former resident of this town) who is very sick.

Mr. Bean's baby is quite sick. Mrs. John Tewksbury is very sick. Her physician pronounces her disease to be typhoid fever. Her husband was sent for and came home Tuesday night.

Town meeting made quite a sensation here after it was over and couldn't be helped. Our citizens passed a vote to do away with intoxicating drinks, and we hope the law will be enforced.

Mr. C. H. Weeks has bought the house now occupied by Mr. Bean. TOPSY.

LINCOLN.

Sugaring has commenced in earnest.

School meeting this week Thursday.

Inez E. Guernsey has returned home from Campton where she has been stopping since last fall.

There is talk of having a temperance meeting Wednesday night. Hope it will prosper. THUNDERBOLT.

ASHLAND.

Hiram Hodgdon has recovered.

Fred Huckins has charge of Sherman's jewelry store.

Mr. Maynard has moved into Rev. Mr. Dudley's house.

Mr. Allan B. Shepard, formerly mail agent on the B. C. & M. R. R., has recently accepted a situation as book-keeper in an express office in Boston, and will soon move his family to that city.

The town of Ashland voted at the recent town meeting to appropriate $25 for the observance of decoration day in this village.

Ex. Governor Cheney was in town this week.

The snow has disappeared so suddenly, that it makes neither sleighing nor wheeling; but wheels go the best in some parts of the village.

Wilder & Co. have commenced to use their wagons for the purpose of doing their freighting to and from the depot, and so has E F. Bailey.

Ashland section has a rail road velocipede which can run 18 miles an hour.

The selectmen have commenced to distribute the inventory blanks.

Hodgdon & Pollard are re-modelling their store which will have the main trading department twice as large as before. They have also added two new windows in the front which makes a great improvement on the building.

Harvey Rogers has commenced running a milk team into this village which makes two now.

A notice is at the Post Office notifying members of the Ashland Band to appear at the Grand Army Hall for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. O.

The following officers lately elected were unavoidably omitted last week: Town treasurer, Frank L. Hughes; librarian, Benjamin E. Worthen; overseer of poor, Jacob Peaslee; highway surveyor, John Jewett; collector of taxes, Rinaldo R. D. Dearborn; constables, F. M. Hughes, James B. Hughes, Edward L. Shepard; janitor town hall, Alphonso D. B. Dearborn; auditors, Francis M. Hughes, Dexter Sanborn, Henry C. Dearborn; superintending school committee, Charles Shepard.

At the Stated Communication of Mt. Prospect Lodge, No. 69, F. & A. M., held March 14, the following officers were elected and installed: Henry L. Dearborn, W. M.; Daniel B. Cummings, S. W.; R. Freeman Sanborn, J. W.; Ambrose Scribner, Treas.; Geo. B. Stevens, Sec.; Frank S. Smith, S. D.; Geo. F. Dow, J. D.; Albert E. Porter, Chaplain; Allen B. Shepard, Marshal; Jacob Peaslee, S. S.; Edward Brown, J. S.; E. D. Dearborn, Tyler; Edward Dow, Joseph Graffam, Com. on Finance; L. W. Watson, Representative to Grand Lodge; Frank L. Thompson, Tyler.

BRIDGEWATER.

Lyceum met March 15, and discussed the following question: Resolved that iron is of more benefit to the country than gold or silver. Disputants, George Fletcher and R. J. Pillsbury, affirmative; Albert Dalton and E. Bland, negative. Decided in the affirmative. Recitations, paper, Evening Star, by F. A. Upham, music and dancing by Will Wheeler and Everett Kinsman. Programme for March 22. Question; Resolved that taking an agricultural paper is a benefit to the farmers.

C. L. Barnard has gone to Boston to spend a few days.

Cyrus Fletcher has gone to Pittsburg, Mass., to work.

Mrs. Charles Hunkins of Bridgewater, who has been sick for a long time, died on the morning of the 15th. F. A. M.

George Main, the celebrated florist and seedsman, of No. 3 Merrimack Block, Concord, N. H., should be written to or interviewed by parties wanting first-class floral decorations, etc. mar4jestf

WANTED.—A reliable and experienced tin peddler who can furnish horse and harness. For further particulars address Lock Box 234, Plymouth, N. H. mar163t*

PROSPECTUS. *New England Pictorial*, Boston, Mass. The agents' millenium! There is no better paying enterprise in the New England States for canvassers. Takes at sight. This journal is in the hands of parties who are determined to push it to a great success. The New England states have long needed a representative pictorial journal, and in such a field we can assure all, of our ability to carry out the enterprise. There is no engraving establishment in the United States that has greater facilities for producing first-class work than ours. We have no less than fifteen artists constantly employed. The editorial department is in charge of an experienced and accomplished writer. The pictorial matter will depict current events in New England, and present leading features from the European press. Each paper will contain, in addition to other valuable reading matter, a highly interesting serial story by popular writers; the whole making a family paper equal, if not superior, to any ever produced in this country. Terms:—One Year, 12 numbers, One Dollar in Advance. Twenty-five per cent of which is given to the agent. No subscription taken for less than a year. A specimen copy of the *New England Pictorial* will be sent to those wishing to act as agents on the receipt of two three-cent stamps. Outfits for agents, including subscription book, book of receipts, agents' report blanks, cards of advertising rates, and sample copy of paper, will be furnished to agents, at 50 cents each. The *New England Pictorial* will appear monthly, commencing its issue before Christmas, 1880, and will be dated Jan. 1st, 1881. It will be a handsome sixteen-page journal, printed on toned paper, and in size and general appearance will be the same as *Harper's Weekly*. Seven and one half pages will be illustrated and the remainder will be given to valuable reading matter. The *New England Pictorial* is a paper that will recommend itself to every walk in life, and needs but the showing to talk for itself. Address, PHOTO-ELECTROTYPE CO., 171 Devonshire street, Boston, Mass.

The *Sanitarian* for March, contents: Sanitary Fragments, by T. J. Turner M. D., Ph. D., Med. Director U. S. Navy; Sanitary Rules for Public Buildings; Insanity—What Has Been Done to Prevent or Arrest its Progress, by Nathan Allen, M. D., LL. D.; Sanitation and Education, by Hon. John Eaton, L. L. D., U. S. Commissioner of Education; The Sanitary Association of Lynn, Mass., by J. G. Pinkham, M. D., Secretary; Action vs. Muddy Water on Sewerage, by Prof. W. H. Brewer, Pres. Board of Health, New Haven, Conn.; Storm-Water and House-Drainage in Sewers, by Col. Robert Moore, C. E.; Tenement-House Reform in New York, by James Gallatin, Esq., Pres. Sanitary Reform Society; Model Health Ordinance. Menu:—Scrambled Codfish; Filet de Bœuf Chateaubriland; Stuffed Crabs, "a la Diable;" Oyster Patties; Asparagus Cooking. Editor's Table:—N. B. To Subscribers and Advertisers; The National Board of Health; City of Pittsburg Board of Health Report; Analysis of Soaps; Amblyopia, or Failing of Eyesight; Dr. C. F. Folsom; Prevention of Venereal Diseases; Mortality Statistics; Secretaries of State Boards of Health. Literature:—Kirkbride on Insanity; Munde's Surgical Gynecology; Buck's Treatment of Ear Diseases; Deems' Handbook of Urinary Analysis; Pennsylvania Medical Society Transactions; Report of Surgeon-General U. S. Marine Hospital Service; Louisiana State Medical Association; Edwards' How Persons Afflicted with Bright's Disease Ought to Live; Clapp's is Consumption Contagious? Young's European Modes of Living. Miscellany:—The Sanitarian; Philips' Milk of Magnesia, and Palatable Cod Liver Oil; Platt's Chlorides; Forbes Fountain Water-Closets; Phosphates; Reich's Hungarian Wines.

We have just received from the Mendelssohn Piano Co., New York, their new catalogues for 1881, giving a very full description of their Pianos and Organs, and also their Manufactory, which is one of the largest and most complete in the world, a description of which, and the process of manufacture of musical instruments of the highest order, will be found very interesting. Their Pianos and organs, besides being unanimously recommended for the highest honor of the great Centennial exhibition, are indorsed in the strongest possible terms by the greatest musical artists and high musical authorities now living, as well as the leading newspaper press of the country. This company is destined to occupy a high place as manufacturers of musical instruments, and from the character of its productions, and their honorable and fair manner of dealing, should receive the patronage of persons who desire reliable goods at factory prices. For further information, send stamp for catalogue of Pianos or Organs, as you may desire.

INTERESTING TO MANUFACTURERS AND MECHANICS. In our columns will be found the advertisement of the New England Manufacturers and Mechanics Institute, managed by well-known and active business men of New England, whose object is the erection of a permanent exhibition building and the holding of an annual exhibition of the products of New England industry, the development and stimulation of which is so important to her pre-eminence. The building will be the largest of the kind in the United States, and will have a floor space of eight acres, much more than ever before offered in any city, thus affording ample room for such exhibitors as wish to avail themselves of this opportunity. The building will be finished in July.

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BORN.

In West Plymouth, March 10, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Pierce, a son.

In New Hampton, March 4, to Mr. and Mrs. Natt Drew, a son.

In Campton, Feb. 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Herbert Brown, a son.

In Ashland, to Mr. and Mrs. James Peavey, a son; 12 lbs.

In Ashland, to Mr. and Mrs. William E. Kimball, a son.

MARRIED.

In Meredith, March 12, by Rev. N. Glidden, Mr. Luther H. Harriman of Madison, and Miss Nellie P. Ladd of Meredith.

In Meredith Village, March 13, by Rev. J. Erskine, Mr. Willie Lee of Rumney, and Miss Henrietta Emerson, of Holderness.

DIED.

In Campton, March 16, of membranous croup, Henry W. Blair, son of James C. Nelson, aged 2 years and 7 months.

In Campton Village, March 17, of typhoid fever, S. A. Douglass Smith, aged 17 years this month. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Smith.

In Meredith, March 17, Mrs. Sophia R. Guild, aged 79 years, 6 months.

In Meredith, March 17, Olive A. Bemis, aged 13 years, 10 months.

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COW FOR SALE.—She has given milk 9 days and gives seven quarts at a time; she is to-day; comes in April; there is no fault about her; as good milk and as handsome a very best. Or she calves, will be for sale; average of 10 quarts of strippings for 11 months. Will give in exchange for calving; has not been dry for 2 years. The last calf she had, she churned within 14 days of calving, and got 3 pounds of butter and used cream besides. My figures are low. Address, D. Ashland Village, N. H. mar4jestf

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MR. H. H. McQUESTEN.—Watchmaker and Jeweler, would be pleased to see his many friends and customers at the store of L. C. HULL, next door to the post-office. mar4jestf

FOR SALE.—On Baker's river, the farm known as the Clark Farm. Any one wishing for terms or information, call or address, Mrs. LEURA H CLARK, West Plymouth, N. H. mar7jes2m*

WANTED. Save your horse hides and colt Skins; you can get a good price for them at Webster Russell & Co's store Plymouth N. H. Nov 16 1m tf.

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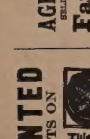

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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

MEREDITH MATTERS.

Dr. Mason has lately been ill.

The Lyceum is apparently dead.

It is principally mud and slush here.

Four large tintypes at Colby's for 50 cents.

B. P. Swain thinks of moving to Sanbornton.

George Lougee is our efficient special policeman.

Miss Linnie Mudgett is recovering from her late illness.

J. D. Bartlett proposes to erect a house near the depot soon.

The late supper at the Baptist society vestry was a success.

Emma L. Woodman has dress goods and trimmings for sale low.

C. R. Pease has recently closed a successful writing school in New Hampton

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bartlett desire to return thanks for their late elegant presents.

Fred Elliott, a popular school teacher in a neighboring state has lately been here.

Some crookedness has been developed in regard to the late sale of the Perley timber lot.

R. S. Cilley with Clough & Towle, Manchester, provision dealers has been with us recently.

N. C. Webster, of Centre Harbor had charge of the first Masonic collation at the Elm House.

Subscriptions and similar matters of the EAGLE will be attended to at the Meredith Post Office.

The March number of Vittum's popular Musical Advocate is being printed at the News office.

Rev. Mr. Pinkham and wife publicly tender thanks to their friends for the recent generous donation.

Hartshorn & Son have lately painted two four seated wagons for J. L. Huntress of the Senter House.

The assemblies now being held at the Town Hall are quite successful. Colby & Dustin provide the music.

Mrs. John Nichols, 80 years old, although always living within about two miles of a railroad, has never been in the cars,

A reward is offered at the Post Office for the recovery of two pieces of music recently lost on the road to Meredith Centre.

R. F. McCrillis, of Smart & McCrillis, grocers, Danvers, Mass., and son of Philip McCrillis, is highly spoken of by a neighboring paper.

Miss Olive A. Bemis, until recently attending our schools, of which she was a faithful scholar, died Thursday, after being sick about three weeks.

The Free Will Baptist election dinner was a success. It was only 15 cents for entrance and all the beans, brown bread, doughnuts, pies, etc. you wanted.

The March stated communication of Chocorua Lodge, F. & A. Masons, last Wednesday evening, was an important event and one long to be remembered by those who participated. The summit of Ancient Craft Masonry was exemplified by the lodge, C. D. Maloon presiding, in a highly satisfactory manner. There were present Robert Ford, D. D. G. M.; George K. James, D. G. L. of the Fourth District, and W. H. Jones, P. D. G. L., besides large delegations from Red Mountain Lodge of Sandwich, Mt. Prospect Lodge of Ashland, Washington Lodge of Manchester, Mt. Lebanon Lodge of Laconia and representatives of quite a number of other lodges. Among the elder brethren who took part in the impressive services was Mr. Joseph Lang, 83 years of age, who has been a member of the order for sixty years. At the conclusion of the exercises a supper fit for a king, got up by mine host Burleigh, was partaken of at the Elm House.—*Lakeside News.*

The following was the vote at the late election: moderator, Francis H. Cram, r, 193; Frederick S. Prescott, d, 226. Town clerk, Daniel S. Chase, d, 4; Alvin Peavey, d, 213; John S. Roberts, r, 230. Selectmen, first ballot, A. E. Leavitt, r, 1; Eleazer Bickford, d, 5; Oren N. Roberts, d, 26; Warren B. Leavitt, r, 201; Joseph R. Mead, r, 205; John Dearborn, r, 207; Oliver L. Bickford, d, 206; William S. Smith, d, 233; John H. Knowles, d, 233. Second ballot, Oren N. Roberts, d, 188; Arthur E. Leavitt, r, 224. Treasurer, Philip D. Blaisdell, d, 384; George W. Smith, r, 207. There were printed ballots in circulation for John H. Knowles, William C. Smith, and Oliver E. Bickford, but none were cast. The town voted to raise $2,000 for town charges, $1,300 for town debts, $300 in addition to that required by law, for schools, 75 cents on a poll, other property in proportion, to be laid out at 15 cents an hour and the time divided by the selectmen into summer and winter, and $300 for Wamesit Engine Co. The renting and leasing the Town Hall was left with the selectmen, also to issue new town notes for old ones, if they thought it advisable. It was voted to rescind the vote taken in 1873, to exempt manufacturing industries of fabrics of cotton, wool wood or iron from taxation.—*News.*

Wagons are beginning to appear.

The grist mill has started up again.

Rufus Dow has been taking a vacation.

I. P. Plummer has gone back to Canada.

Hartshorn & Son have lately put up a new sign.

J. I. Prescott is at work for J. H. Knowles & Co.

The question of a town library is being talked up.

David Webster has had his foot jammed by a log.

Cox's express wagon has been greatly beautified.

An old lady has used one sewing needle over 30 years.

Mr. Bean has been drawing new machinery for Hodgson.

Dr. Peaslee is in practice with Drs. Moore, of Lake Village.

M. C. Brown's brother, of Bradford, is stopping with us.

Rev. Mr. Glidden and family have returned from Tamworth.

T. H. Worrall has some fine new maple sugar to dispose of.

Offices Moses lately caught a 12 pound trout in Squam lake.

The G. A. R. repeated their entertainment with great success.

C. W. Morrison has some ladies' new gold watches for sale low.

Mr. Wadleigh is turning out champagne and sardine box stock.

The Baptist society is preparing to give an Old Folks concert soon.

A. A. Kidder, of Plummer & Kidder, Chelsea, Mass., was lately here.

There was a lively quilting bee at Mrs. Hattie Pitman's, town-meeting day.

The Freewill Baptist pastor being ill last Sunday, Daniel Woodman officiated.

A new Morse fire-proof safe, with patent combination lock, for sale at the *News* office.

Almon Plummer broke through the ice near Bear Island the other day, but got out at last.

The North church society gave the first and a successful sugar party Wednesday evening in their vestry.

Frank Williams cut off a great toe while chopping, and walked nearly three miles to have it dressed.

C. S. Wiggin and G. S. Bartlett have returned from Florida and propose to enter the drug business near Boston.

Mr. Dias has changed S. M. Glidden's blacksmith shop into a paint shop and employs two hands on carriages, etc.

Dr. Carey was considerably injured and nearly sustained a broken leg while assisting in setting up a new press.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stanton weigh about 500 pounds, the weight being nearly equally divided between the two.

The work of Rev. Mr. Bard of the third degree the other evening was an enjoyable occasion. Visitors were in attendance from many neighboring lodges and the collation at the Elm House with which it ended was a worthy termination as all will say who know "mine host" Burleigh.

The Meredith Weekly *News* has lately found out that we have been trying to sell the EAGLE, by means of printed circulars, a few garbled and distorted extracts of which it printed last week and then let off a great deal of waste steam in consequence of the discovery. We are charged with the great crime of attempting to sell a paper that we own and also with that of publishing two others, either one of which is considerably larger than that of the *News*, while in circulation and influence no comparison can be made. Another bad thing we have done is to offer to print the EAGLE for the purchaser at a reasonable price, much less than it costs to print the *News* one page at a time on a job press in a much smaller office. He also quotes: "There are two other publications in Meredith. One is a small four page weekly, [it was when the circular was printed,] run by a young medical student, who must soon give it up, as he will continue [commence, O, compositer of the *News*,] practice elsewhere ere long." * * * "Both these publications are small in size, circulation, influence and patronage, as you can see for yourself if you visit me." * * * "All facts herein stated are strictly true, and I can prove it satisfactorily to anyone." * * * "Please keep this subject confidential." The remainder of the circular he did not dare print and don't now, or any other time. We ask our readers if the above is not true? Isn't the *News* a small weekly? Isn't it run by a young medical student? Isn't he going to practice elsewhere soon? Can it be that with all his aspirations that he will settle down in Meredith, which although a good place for common people, is a very narrow field for a teacher, aspiring, callow youth like himself? Who imagines the *News* will be run much longer at a loss as it always has been? Isn't its advertising and subscription list mostly free and small at that? Can't everybody see that it is small in size, circulation and influence? Can't all this be proved? Don't everybody about here know that this is true? When a man of business attempts to sell, don't he want the subject matter considered confidential for various reasons? If you are going to sell a store or a farm, do you want to advertise it to every envious, malicious idiot about you? The EAGLE did not appear in a stolen nest for its domicile was honestly paid for, and no other competitor then occupied the field, although the *News* was started last summer to head it off, if possible in which it has signally failed. The EAGLE has sailed steadily on for nearly a year and proposes to continue doing so. Its pluck and positiveness have been avail as you well know, and its patronage has been very encouraging as you are well aware by reading a certain circular. You dare not publish those so-called falsehoods and underhanded games for everybody would believe them if you did. We can carry the burden of the EAGLE longer than you can that of the *News*, for those sufficient funds must be raised long after you reach those foreign parts. We shall be pleased to see another enlargement of the *News* for we shall then expect a grand explosion, as at the close of an exhibition of fireworks. We admire your caution in not trying to buy the EAGLE for that five cent nickel, as you will need it, and a good many more before you retire from the amateur newspaper business. All will find that the EAGLE's wings will still bear it on and its beak will still be powerful to defend itself against the attacks of one who tried to sell a $300 office for $600, cash to an inexperienced youth, and it will continue to sweep and soar when the *News* shall have passed away and sunk into the oblivion now so near.

LOCAL MARKET.

RETAIL PRICES CORRECTED EVERY WEEK.

Beans, bu.,	$1 75 2 00	Dried Apples, lb.	3 5
Butter, lb	20 25	Wood, cord,	2 50 5 00
Beef, lb.,	4 12	Tallow, lb.,	6
Cheese lb.,	13 18	Maple Sugar, lb.,	8 @ 11
Chickens, lb.,	10 12	Hay, ton,	14 00
Eggs, doz.,	15	Corn, bu.,	70
Lard lb.,	10 12	Oats, bu.,	50
Potatoes, bu.,	50 60	Flour, bbl.,	5 50 9 50
Pork, lb.,	7	Corn meal, 100 lbs.	1 40
Hides, lb.,	7	Pork, salt,	8 13
Calfskins, each,	40 80	Molasses,	40 75
Sheepskins, "	40 80	Vinegar,	25
Honey, lb.,	20 25	Wool, wash. lb.,	40
Tobacco, lb.,	40 100	Sugar, lb.,	8 12
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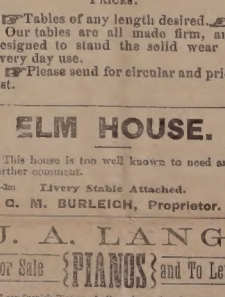

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FASHION NOTES.

Glittering groups of snail shells are seen on new hats.

Flowers of velvet and chenille are used on French hats.

The condor and canary bird furnish the rival colors in millinery.

To make a belt-bow requires a yard and five-eighths of eight-inch ribbon—no more, no less.

The most fashionable rings are of hammered gold, made in pliable strips, and wound around the finger.

A pretty lace-pin imitates an artler's tip, and is made of tortoise shell wreathed with acorns and beans in gold.

Long-stemmed bouquets of rose buds for the corsage are shaded from pink to damask red, or else cream to deep yellow.

Satin merveilleux, which is really satin Surah, in the soft, pliable fabric used for wide ribbons and for "piece trimmings."

Box pleated skirts will probably succeed the kilt skirts which have been worn so long.

The rich lace collars and cuffs which some mammas add to their little boys' velvet suits are not half so elegant as plain white linen.

The new lace which is offered to succeed Languedoc is called point Nemours' and is a film-like variety woven in Mechlin pattern.

Pokes of medium size, some small bonnets, and very large flaring round hats make up the bulk of the first importations of spring bonnets.

Those who have laid away their plain silks in lavender will be rejoiced to hear that there are prognostications of a revival of that style of dress.

Gentlemen who are continually inveighing against fashion worship should remember that it makes a heap of difference whose dress is gored.

The rare old lace known to our mothers as point d' Alencon is now called round point, to distinguish it from d' Alenceon, a cheap woven variety.

The name of the new lace, point l'aurillac, is derived from an ancient form of the word oriellard, and is so called on account of the odd lop-eared patterns in which its silken mesh is woven.

New mull scarfs for the neck have a narrow hem hem-stitched all around them, and have clusters of colored blocks hem-stitched in each end for ornament; a bit of needle-work is in the centre of each block.

There is an effort to introduce a line or stripe of plush in ombre stuffs and in plaids, but this seems too heavy for summer materials, though the same objection is not offered when the stripes are of gilt or silver, and especially of steel.

Very fine woolen gloves resembling stockings or Jersey webbing are now imported, having long woven wrists which reach nearly half-way to the elbow. These gloves have the appearance of the undressed kid gloves, but wear infinitely better, and do not turn gray nor lose their shape, as do the Danish gloves.

Steel and silver laces, made of the beads wrought in black net, promise to be more used than jetted laces for black bonnets; but these do not harmonize with the yellow braid bonnets, hence their use is limited; they are, however, more largely imported than any other laces, and come in nets for covering crowns as well as in trimming widths.

The first spring dresses imported are short suits with narrow skirts, on which are permanently draped most voluminous over-dresses. The corrugated folds, involutions, and curved draperies of the soft stuffs used for over-dresses are marvelously graceful, and when to these are added retrousse facings with new panier effects, and the gay bayadere garnitures, the dress becomes intricate beyond description.

New spring jackets of Cheviots and other English-looking cloths are nearly tight-fitted, round, single-breasted, and medium long, and are worn with a belt to which a bag is attached. The bag does away with the need of pockets, and the garment is as simple shaped as a hunting-jacket. Even the buttons of these jackets are not large or numerous, merely buttoning the front, and are for use, not for ornament. A turned-over collar has a pleating of cloth erect above it, and the same pleating finishes the cuffs, falling toward the hands.

Robes de chambre are of infinite variety; there is at first the most convenient and practical of all, what is called the matinee, consisting of a skirt and very long jacket, almost like a polonaise; then there is the princesse wrapper, all in one piece, of wool, or even of plush. I will cite one made for an elegant young bride, of light gray cashmere, short in front, and extremely long behind. The fronts, which were cut whole, opened from the throat to the hem, approached each other at the waist, and thence diverging like a fan, so as to show the plastron of light gray satin, tufted like a piece of furniture, with a white pearl bead on each tuft; on each front was a broad revers of peacock blue plush.

GARFIELD'S TEMPERANCE VIEWS.

In replying to an address made by Miss Frances E. Willard, president of the women's national christian temperance union, in presenting the portrait of Mrs. Hayes at the Executive mansion, recently, President Garfield said: "I have observed the significance which you have given to this portrait from the standpoint you occupy and in connection with the work in which you are engaged. What you have said concerning the evils of intemperance meets my most hearty concurrence. I have been, in my way, and in accordance with my own convictions, an earnest advocate of temperance, not in so narrow a sense as some, but in a very definite and practical sense. These convictions are deep, and will be maintained. Whether I shall be able to meet the views of all people in regard to all the phases of that question remains to be seen. But I shall do what I can to abate the great evils of intemperance. I shall be glad to have this picture on these walls, and shall be glad to remember your kind expressions to me and my family, and in your efforts to better mankind by your work I hope that you may be guided by wisdom and that you will achieve a worthy success. Thanking you for this meeting and greeting, I bid you good morning."

NOT HIS MOTHER.

As a boy was going down the street a woman opened the front door of a house and called, "John! John! John!" As the boy paid no attention to the calls, a pedestrian said to him: "Here, bub, your mother is calling to you." "No, she isn't," replied the lad, as he turned the corner; "she's only father's second wife, and she wants to understand that she can't run me!"

NEW ENGLAND NEWS.

Maine.

The present lumbering season, which is just closing, has been the most prosperous for years, and it is estimated that 150,000,000 feet of logs will be driven into the booms this year.

The Granite national bank of Augusta will reduce its capital from $150,000 to $100,000.

Maine is said to be the only state which never lost a flag by capture during the late war.

Neal Dow has filed a protest with the county commissioners of Cumberland county against the payment of the deputy sheriffs, on the ground that they have not done their duty in regard to the liquor traffic, and therefore are not entitled to pay.

The executive committee of the soldiers' and sailors' association of the state have voted to invite President Garfield to be present at the reunion of Maine veterans next summer, and also to ask the Legislature and governor and council to unite in the affair and make the president the guest of the state.

Ex-Gov Dingley has declined his nomination by Gov. Plaisted as trustee of the insane asylum.

The stockholders of the Portland and Ogdensburg railroad, in which Portland has a controlling interest, have voted to reduce the capital stock from 20,000 to 10,630 shares.

New Hampshire.

The committee appointed by the Legislature of 1879 to investigate the action of the commissioner of Merrimac county in regard to the new county buildings, have made a report stating he spent about $20,000 on them when only $8000 was authorized.

The temperance association of Rockingham county has passed a resolution looking to a constitutional amendment prohibiting the manufacture and sale of distilled and fermented liquors, except cider.

The severest snow-storm of the season recently prevailed in Claremont, N. H., all day the wind blowing a gale and doing considerable damage to trees, and fences.

The superintendent of schools of Manchester reports that five of the public schools there are all French, and that in the primary schools French children constitute more than 44 per cent. of the whole number, and in the middle schools 21 per cent.

A painting of Rev. Nathaniel Whitaker, now in the picture gallery of Dartmouth college, and which has been supposed to be by Sir Joshua Reynolds, has been found to be by an artist named Chamberlyn, without national reputation.

The Boston, Concord and Montreal railroad will hold a special meeting the 21st to vote on the issuing of $200,000 worth of additional bonds authorized by the Legislature. The recent great increase in freight, principally from Canada, demands many improvements.

Some one unknown has given 100 volumes to the Deerfield library.

Vermont.

Bennington has a debt of $242,029, a reduction of $19,368 during the past year.

Danville has a man who has lived on the same farm 59 years, has never been law in regard to selling liquor on Sunday. He tells him to spend what money is necessary in hiring extra men or in other ways, and says he will support him in all proper measures to remove the evil.

Rhode Island.

A bill has been introduced in the Legislature making marriage a civil contract, and requiring all the persons to appear before a recorder of deeds, to make certificates of their ages, names, etc.

The city government of Newport has voted to give the United States government a deed of Coaster's harbor island, without the clause that it shall revert back to the city in case it should not be used for a naval training station, the city solicitor having refused to draw up such a deed, on the ground that it is not

The reports of the annual encampment of Odd Fellows of the state held in Providence, show 18 encampments and 1237 members, annual receipts of $6227 and $2450 paid out for relief.

The state spent $25,788 on its military force last year, which at present consists of 167 officers and 1350 men. They are all equipped in fine style, ready to repel any invasion by any larger state ambitious of adding to its territory.

Rev. N. E. Thompson of the Second Baptist church of Providence has resigned.

The House, in revision of the laws, has struck out the law prohibiting the Jews and Seventh-day Baptists from working on Sunday.

The excitement in East Greenwich over the American mills continues, and they are still garrisoned by the sheriff and his deputies to prevent any attempt to remove the goods in them. There is $6000 or $7000 due the workmen in back pay.

Connecticut.

A Plymouth druggist has been fined $500 and sentenced to five months in jail for violating the license law, and his clerk was fined $95 and sent to jail for two months.

Birmingham has been having a little scare over the small-pox.

Rev. M. C. Ayres has been called to the Congregational church in Southington.

Judge Pardee of New Haven has decided that towns can have no proprietary rights in oyster beds, and they are merely trustees for the state, to whom the lots belong, and so cannot tax them.

The track of the extension of the New York and New England railroad from Waterbury is so tightly frozen that no blasting can be done, and the road can hardly be got in readiness for business before May 1.

About 8000 persons have been vaccinated in Meriden during the past two weeks.

A Danbury druggist, who put up a prescription, the greater part of which was alcohol, on Sunday, and whose patron got drunk on it, has been fined $50 for selling liquors on Sunday.

The board of corporators of the women's national hospital, designed for the treatment of women addicted to the excessive use of alcohol and narcotics and recently chartered by the Legislature, met in Hartford and elected officers.

The keel for a $35,000 three-masted schooner has been laid in Fair Haven.

Timothy Maher, considered the strongest man in New Haven, died recently. He was known to have lifted 1500 pounds dead weight, and to have suspended 600 pounds from the middle finger of his right hand.

NATIONAL CAPITAL NOTES.

An unsuccessful attempt was made in the Senate to secure the repayment to President Hayes of the money paid by him for the expenses of the McVeagh Commissioner to Louisiana.

The last House left behind it a calendar of more than 100 pages, 60 being devoted to private bills of which no less than 900 fail, the bulk of them being pension bills.

Fifty ladies, members of the National women's Christian temperance union, called at the executive mansion, and presented to the President the portrait of Mrs. Hayes, recently completed by the New York artist, Mr. Huntington.

The existence of hog cholera in the United States, as recently reported by the British consul at Philadelphia to the home government, has been the subject of thorough consideration by the department of state for the past week. It appears that similar reports have been circulated throughout other foreign countries. The department of state has instructed American representatives abroad to protest against all such assertions as being without foundation.

Judge James Lawrensen, an old attache of the office, who also acts as notary public for the post-office department, administered the oath of office to Postmaster-General James. This is the 17th postmaster-general sworn in by Judge Lawrensen.

In case Fred Douglass is displaced as district marshal, it is said he is to be provided for as minister to Brazil.

The Yorktown centennial committee, of which Senator Johnston (Va.) is chairman, has appointed a committee consisting of the chairman, Senator Butler and Representative Loring of Massachusetts to prepare invitations.

Secretary Blaine, it is reported, said he intended to radically change the tone of American diplomacy.

The Treasury estimates that the surplus revenue for March, April, May and June, the rest of the fiscal year, will leave a surplus of $37,000,000 to be devoted to the purchase of bonds for cancellation, as provided by the late act of Congress.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN.

The Catholic bishops at Victoria, British Columbia, have petitioned the Legislature against secular schools, and ask to be placed on the same footing as Protestants in the province of Quebec.

Produce shippers have information from France that the French government took 46 cases of long, clear sides, which were shipped to Havre from Keokuk, Ia., and these are being subjected to a most scrutinizing inspection by eight experts.

All the Chicago public schools were closed by the recent great storm, and the drifts in the streets were up to the second stories of buildings.

The loss of life by the earthquake on the island of Ischia, Italy, was appalling. One hundred and two bodies have been found at Casamacciola, and many others are under the ruins of the building.

Wang Foo was hanged in Gothic, Col., because he started a laundry.

The insane asylum at Danville, Pa., was recently destroyed by fire and a large number of the inmates were burned to death.

Seventy crack shots among the Boers have been told off to fire in any future engagement at such men as Joubert indicates.

Abdur Rahman Khan is making preparations which seem to indicate his intention of trying to occupy Candahar when the British have left. The departure of the British will probably be the signal for a sanguinary struggle between Ayoob Khan and Ameer Abdur Rahman Khan.

A thousand men are thrown out of employment through the strike at the Springfield, ill., iron works. The company expresses the intention of hereafter employing only non-union men.

It is reported in Montreal that an extensive export trade in corpses has been carried on between Canada and the United States during the past winter. The bodies were sent to colleges in Boston and New York.

Gen. Sir Frederick Roberts started for South Africa, recently to take command in the Transvaal.

The Argentine government is about to send Dean Dillon to Ireland to promote emigration to La Plata. A special agent has already been sent to Germany for the purpose of facilitating emigration.

It recently snowed steadily in Scotland for 70 hours, and traffic was blocked.

A gig belonging to the Cerberus, a vessel stationed at Melbourne for the defense of the colony, was blown up by a torpedo, and five of the crew killed.

New York has started a cremation society with a United States naval captain as president.

The Porte is preparing four squadrons, one of which, in the event of war, will blockade the Greek ports, and the others will protect the Turkish ports.

Bishop Faire of Montreal condemns the practice of swearing Roman Catholic witnesses on the Protestant Bible as a sin.

Rev. Dr. Philip Schaff, chairman of the Bible revision committee, announces, at New York, that the revised New Testament will be published by the English University presses in May.

The government has bought the whaler Mary and Helen, owned by William Lewis of New Bedford, and will send her north early in May to search for the Jeannette, James Gordon Bennett's Arctic explorer.

Wholesale arrests have been made of land leaguers in Ireland. The prisoners were all transferred to English prisons.

FASCINATED BY A SNAKE.

Two boys were once in the woods, in New Jersey, looking for cattle, and lighted by chance on a large black snake, upon which one of them, an inquisitive youngster, immediately resolved to ascertain by experiment whether the snake, so celebrated for its powers, would charm or fascinate him. He requested his companion to take up a stick and keep a good eye on the snake to prevent evil consequences, while he made a trial of his powers. This the other agreed to, when he first advanced a few steps nearer the snake, and made a stand, looking steadily on him. When the snake observed him in that situation, he raised his head with a quick motion, and the lad said at that instant there appeared something to flash in his eyes, which he could compare to nothing more similar than the rays of light thrown from a glass or mirror, when turned in the sunshine. He said it dazzled his eyes; at the same time the colors appeared very beautiful, and were in large rings, circles, or rolls, and it seemed to be dark to him everywhere else, and his head began to be dizzy, much like being over swift-running water.

He then says he thought he would go for the snake; and, as it was dark everywhere but in the circles, he was fearful of treading anywhere else; and, as they still grew less in circumference, he could not see where to step; but, as the dizziness increased, he tried to call his comrade for help, but could not speak. It then appeared to him as though he was in a vortex, or whirlpool, and that every turn brought him nearer the center.

His comrade, who had impatiently waited, observing him to move forward to the right and left, and at every turn approach nearer the snake, making a strange, groaning noise, not unlike a person in a fit of the nightmare, could stand it no longer, but immediately ran and killed the reptile, which was of the largest size.

He that had been charmed was much terrified, and in a tremor; his shirt was in a few moments wet with sweat; he complained much of a dizziness in the head, attended with pain, and appeared in a melancholy, stupid situation for some days.

HINT TO POETS.

It is said of certain mills that they "grind slowly." This, however, cannot be said of the mills of some correspondents who love to grind out verse. The yield of these mills is enormous, and the production steady. In its quality the manufactured article is exceedingly various. The assortment received since the opening of the present year comprises almost every style and pattern. It is in all varieties of length, breadth and metre. There is very little of it that we can use. Of such as we have found acceptable, we have a sufficiently ample store to see us through the year. If the makers of poetry will continue to send it, we cannot restrain them, except by reminding them that if accepted, its publication will take place in the somewhat indefinite future, at a date which it would be rash to attempt now to specify.

There are some well-meaning souls who ramble among poetic thoughts, and sometimes tumble into rhyme, but whose efforts, as committed to paper, give evidence of a need of long and patient training in everything that makes a poet. If these good people will, after composing what they think is a poem, carefully lay it away in a corner for a few years, and at the expiration of that time take it out and review it, they will see how much wiser their course was than if they had rushed the production into type.

There is any quantity of so-called poetry which, if printed at all, ought to be paid for by its authors at the rate of at least five dollars a line.—*Sunday Magazine.*

FOOLISH FANATICS.

In one of the bazaars, says a letter from India, we saw some fakirs and devotees. One of these remarkable fellows had vowed to lie upon a bed of upright nails for twenty-six years, and of these he had accomplished sixteen when we saw him. His body was attenuated and full of sores resembling leprous spots. We asked him for one of the nails which pierced his miserable body. He took one from the foot of the bed, refusing in every instance to part with any one of those which gave him the most exquisite pain. Another miserable devotee was holding a flower pot at arm's length. Judge of my surprise when he told me he had held it there for five years. Another stood with arm uplifted, and no power to lower it or move a muscle, the member being dried, stiff and dead, while the long finger nails, like bird's claws, penetrated the flesh on his wrist. All of these fellows looked moldy and sad.

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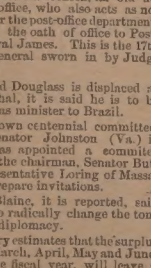

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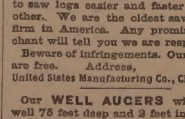

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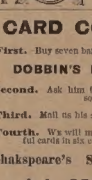

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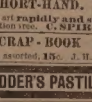

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